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July 25, 2007

The Honorable Paul Condino
Chair
House Judiciary Committee
Michigan House of Representatives
PO Box 30014
Lansing, MI 48909

Re: HB 4964

Dear Representative Condino:

At its Legislative Committee meeting on July 12, PAAM decided to oppose any sentencing guidelines commission that is designed to tie sentences to prison capacity.

The committee recommended recruiting a university to study sentencing practices, usage of guidelines, and to make recommendations for next steps.

As always, PAAM stands ready to work with you on any pending legislation. If I can provide you with further information, please don't hesitate to contact me or PAAM's legislative representative, KC Steckelberg, at 517-334-6060 x810.

Sincerely,

Charles Koop
PAAM Legislative Committee Chair

cc: House Judiciary Committee